Amendment No. 1 to HB3876

Harmon Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 3671*

House Bill No. 3876

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-2307, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (b):

(b) The commissioner of transportation is authorized to develop guidelines for municipal tourism/wayfinding informational signage programs within any county having a population in excess of five hundred (500,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, which has adopted a metropolitan form of government. Such guidelines may include, but are not limited to, construction, placement and safety standards. The commissioner is urged to consult with interested parties within the county in the development of this program. Such county may participate in the development of such guidelines; provided that nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring participation or to undertake construction of a municipal tourism/wayfinding information signage program.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is hereby authorized to remove any signs from the federal interstate highway system within any county having a population in excess of five hundred (500,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, which has adopted a metropolitan form of government that were installed as a result of acts or resolutions of the Tennessee General Assembly; provided that the entity or facility which is signed agrees in writing that the entity or facility's interstate guide sign and any associated ramp sign may be removed as part of the overall plan for the Wayfinding Program implemented by such county.

SECTION 3. All funds for the Wayfinding Program to which Section 2 applies shall be provided by the metropolitan government of such county.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.